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MIDLAND MAN FACES BETWEEN 10 YEARS AND LIFE IN FEDERAL PRISON AFTER METHAMPHETAMINE CONVICTION

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced that in Midland, Orbie Dale Chambliss faces between 10 years and life in federal prison after a jury convicted him this morning of conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine and possession of methamphetamine with intent to distribute.

The jury found that in February 2005, Chambliss conspired with his sister to sell over 50 grams of pure methamphetamine. Chambliss was indicted in March 2005, but was a fugitive from justice until arrested by the United States Marshal's Service in Nacogdoches, Texas, on April 28, 2005. Chambliss remains in federal custody pending sentencing scheduled for December 8, 2005.

Chambliss's sister, Naoma Sue Chambliss, faces up to life imprisonment after pleading guilty to these same charges on April 25, 2005. She is scheduled to be sentenced tomorrow at 9:00am before United States District Judge Robert Junell in Midland.

This case resulted from an investigation conducted by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Midland Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorney Sandra Beckner is prosecuting this case on behalf of the government.

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